

**TABLE 11-10. RATE OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE BY AGE, FY2004-FY2011**

Rate equals number of children in care as of the last day of the fiscal year for every 1,000 children of that age in the population.

AGE	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011
Under 1 year	6.3	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.3	5.6	6.2	6.1
1 year	7.3	7.7	8.2	8.1	7.7	7.2	7.6	7.5
2 years	6.8	7.1	7.3	7.3	7.0	6.4	6.9	6.8
3 years	6.2	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.1	5.7	6.0	6.3
4 years	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.7	5.4	5.0	5.3	5.5
5 years	5.6	5.5	5.5	5.4	5.0	4.6	4.7	4.9
6 years	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.0	4.8	4.3	4.3	4.4
7 years	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.0	4.5	4.1	4.1	4.2
8 years	4.9	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.5	3.9	3.8	3.9
9 years	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.4	3.9	3.6	3.6
10 years	5.1	4.8	4.7	4.5	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.4
11 years	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.5	4.2	3.9	3.6	3.5
12 years	5.8	5.6	5.1	4.7	4.4	4.0	3.8	3.6
13 years	6.7	6.4	6.0	5.5	5.0	4.5	4.2	4.1
14 years	7.6	7.6	7.2	6.8	6.2	5.4	4.9	4.7
15 years	9.1	8.7	8.7	8.1	7.8	6.8	6.1	5.7
16 years	9.8	9.7	9.4	9.3	9.0	8.1	7.2	6.7
17 years	9.0	9.2	9.1	8.8	9.1	8.3	7.6	7.0
18 years	3.1	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.2	2.3
19 years	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
20 years	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6
Total (children reported as under age 18 only) <sup>a</sup>	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.2	5.9	5.3	5.2	5.1
TOTAL (all children in care) <sup>b</sup>	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.5	6.2	5.6	5.4	5.3

**Source:** Table prepared by the Congressional Research Service on November 4, 2012 for the 2012 version of the House Ways and Means Committee Green Book.

**Note:** U.S. Census Bureau annual population estimates as of July 1 for the 50 states, DC and Puerto Rico were used to calculate rates (vintage 2009 for 2004-2009 and vintage 2011 (for 2010-2011)).

a. Rates in this row are based on comparison of all children in care who were reported as under the age of 18 to total child population under age 18.

b. Rates in this row are based on comparison of all children in care, regardless of age (and including children for whom age data were missing or invalid) to total child population under age 18.